

# Southern Highlands Vietnam Veterans' Peacekeepers and Peacemakers Association

## NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2012

The Executive Committee would like to wish all members and their families a very Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.



### CHRISTMAS DINNER

MITTAGONG RSL CLUB

Mineral Springs Room

Wednesday 5th December 2012

6:00pm for 6:30pm

Whilst the RSVP for this function was 26th November there is still plenty of room for all. If you forgot to RSVP, please ring Sandra Freer NOW - TODAY - to book your place and make arrangements for payment prior to the Dinner.

The meal will be a buffet Christmas Spread with the usual ham, turkey, chicken etc etc. Drinks will be purchased from the private bar at reasonable prices. We have invited the Natives and RSL Sub-Branches to join us. We will have lucky-door prizes at what promises to be a very enjoyable evening and end to our year. The fare is just \$45.00 per head.

**Contact Sandra on 4868 1945.**

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The renewal form/s are enclosed. These are due by 31st December but early payment would be appreciated. Please fill out the form in full (yes yet again), as when the forms are bound up they become the membership register. Please post the completed form and payment to:

SHVPPA PO Box 900 MOSS VALE NSW 2577.

The money paid to the Association helps to provide services to all Vietnam Veterans, Peacekeepers and Peacemakers and with declining membership overall it is much needed. If you have any questions please contact Sandra as above or Norm 48691772

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## AUSTRALIA DAY

To celebrate this day, to honor our service to our nation, and to have a good time - we are again having a GREAT AUSSIE BBQ. This is a family event at the home of Norm and Sue Austin. Family and friends are most welcome. Bring your meat and drinks. Make it a date in your calendar NOW - Saturday, January 26th 2013. Full details in the January Newsletter.



## BOWRAL VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALK COMMITTEE

The inaugural meeting of the Committee will be held in December. Wingecarribee Shire Council has nominated a representative and meeting will be chaired by Mr. Ken Adams, a Past President of Bowral-Mittagong Rotary Club.

The suggested objectives of the Committee are to:

- Ensure the long-term maintenance and development of the Memorial.
- To raise funds and seek donations and grants towards these objectives.
- Liaise with Wingecarribee Shire Council, Trustee of Settlers Park, to co-ordinate the maintenance and development of the Memorial p.
- Promote the completion of the cherry tree planting and endeavour to overcome the vandalism of existing trees.
- Extend the Memorial to include monuments dedicated to service men and women killed in armed conflicts and peacekeeping operations since the end of the Vietnam War.
- Encourage other Vietnam Veteran Organisations and Ex-Sevice Organisations to install memorials, as has been done by the 8 RAR association
- Obtain grants from the Commonwealth Government, the NSW State Government and other organizations to assist in the maintenance and extension of the Memorial.



**HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR**